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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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Group Art Unit: 3682

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Examiner: D. Fenstermacher

Filed: November 20, 2004

For: : ELECTRIC STEERING COLUMN APPARATUS

AMENDMENTCommissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 24,
2004, please amend this application as indicated below.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.